CLOSET DESIGN AND INSTALLATION WITH STORABLES CLOSET SYSTEM

The Customer
A widow of two years, Lisa lives alone in her five bedroom home. Though she has a sizable walk-in master closet, she lived out of laundry baskets. The master closet shelving was not working for her and clothes accumulated and piled up, because she couldn’t see what she already had.

Lisa’s vision was a closet makeover using the Storables closet line.

Challenges
Eliminate Chaos had to be efficient with time due to the large volume of Lisa’s clothing and items that needed to be removed from the closet, sorted and eliminated or designed around in a short period of time. In addition to clothing, Lisa had an extensive purse, small bag and jewelry collection that needed to be managed.

Lisa’s vision for a tranquil master closet space would serve as inspiration for her to organize and gain control throughout the rest of her home. She wanted to be able to sit in the middle of her new closet and feel calm and collected.

Project Scope
- Transform a non-functioning master closet from chaos to calm.
- Remove, sort and eliminate contents of the closet that were no longer used or needed.
- Measure, design and install a DIY (do-it-yourself) closet system.
- Purchase closet product accessories to store items such as: small purses, cosmetic bags, scarves, jewelry and more.
- Update all hangers so they matched and consumed less space.
- Organize contents in the new closet.

The Solution
Eliminate Chaos created a plan for the work that would be done over a period of two weeks by Lisa as well as Team Eliminate Chaos.
The Solution - Continued

 Preliminary Work
Before arriving at Lisa’s home, we knew she wanted to use the DIY closet system from Storables. Using our customized closet app, Organizing Specialist – Terri, asked Lisa a series of specific questions regarding her tastes and preferences. Once complete, the closet was measured.

Julie, Sr. Organizing Specialist, worked directly with Lisa, keeping her focused on making decisions regarding clothing and accessory items that would be donated or given to her niece. Several bags were accumulated for donations. Terri and Ryan worked behind the scenes to organize the contents that would eventually be returned to the new closet. This included: storing off-season clothing into labeled bins, grouping items together into temporary bins, later to be transferred to decorative baskets, and swapping out the hangers so they all matched.

An inventory of remaining clothing and accessories was created and measured for use in the design phase.

Design Work
The design of the closet took place at Storables with specific input from the Eliminate Chaos team; including:
✓ Exact closet measurements
✓ Lineal feet of long and short-hung clothing
✓ A shoe inventory, including the heights of specific shoes/boots and how they would be stored
✓ The lineal feet of handbags and purses
✓ An inventory of the amount of folded items to be placed on shelves, such as tops, sweatshirts and jeans
✓ Notes about the small items to be stored on a shelf, but in a decorative basket

While most clients are not present for the design phase, Lisa opted to join us, providing immediate input on the design. With the design complete, Lisa paid for the closet materials and a pick-up date was scheduled.

The final design included:
• 12 drawers to accommodate Lisa’s items such as: scarves, leggings, tights, lots of sweaters and athletic wear
• Plenty of space for the short and long hanging items
• (30) 24-inch shelves, and 6 custom-cut shelves for remaining items, such as tops, jeans, sweat shirts, linens, decorative baskets, purses, handbags and linens
• A new laundry basket with a specific placement for easy access

Installation
Prior to installation, Lisa removed her old closet shelving, patched the holes and gave her closet a fresh coat of paint.

Eliminate Chaos picked up the closet pieces from Storables and arrived at Lisa’s home – ready to install the new system. The walls were measured, holes drilled, and the rails and tracks that act as support for the DIY system were put in place.
After initial placement of shelving, rods and drawers according to the plans, Eliminate Chaos discovered a design challenge. The closet system had to be reconfigured as the original plans drawn in store did not accurately account for space needed to open the closet door fully. Eliminate Chaos proposed two different designs and presented them to Lisa. With a decision on the revised design, Eliminate Chaos made the adjustments.

**Organize Closet Contents into the New Closet System**

All clothing and accessories were placed into the new closet system by Eliminate Chaos. Hanging items were arranged and hung by category and color. Drawers were filled and folded items were placed on the shelves. Accessories were arranged beautifully in new and existing trays.

**The Results**

Lisa’s dream closet is no longer a dream. She can find everything in her closet and everything has a specific place. Her closet was designed based on the “frequency of use,” so Lisa is able to quickly find what she needs and put items away in their place. Best of all, the only laundry basket used in her closet now holds the dirty clothes – and the one we selected matches the new closet!

**Why Eliminate Chaos**


Eliminate Chaos’ clients rely on our Specialists to understand their project vision as well as their lifestyle needs. Through a unique planning questionnaire and client interview, Eliminate Chaos ensures the outcome of the project can be easily maintained by the client. Taking our knowledge for designing a closet one step further, Eliminate Chaos developed a propriety app for smartphones that Specialists use to capture every last detail.

**Employees**

The Eliminate Chaos team of Organizing Specialists bring a wide range of experience and talent to every client project. They are highly trained Specialists, not generalists and are assigned projects based on their area of expertise. Employees are certified in organizing and hold degrees in related fields.

**Leadership**

When you work with Eliminate Chaos, you can be assured that the experience and outcome of your project will be formulated through years of experience and a 10-step methodology that was developed by Laura Leist, Chief Organizing Officer, Author and Founder of Eliminate Chaos.

**Insurance and Licensing**

Eliminate Chaos has the appropriate insurance policies and contractor’s license to cover all aspects of the project, including the installation. Most professional organizing companies do not have a contractor’s license or proper insurance to complete a project of this nature.

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